

Highway Commission Next

The difficulties that have been created and continue to be created by the federal government over the building of a Trans-Canada Highway make it clearly apparent that this project will not advance satisfactorily until a Federal Highway Commission is brought into being.

The recent meeting in Ottawa between representatives of provincial and federal governments did achieve one important step.

At that conference the federal government did officially recognize and approve, for the very first time, the need, in principle, for such a highway.

But the progress of the enterprise seems to have bogged down at that point.

No amount of pressure has been able to pry from the federal government any estimate of what it proposes to spend as its share of the project.

And then on December 21, Ottawa issued a statement that represented retrogression rather than advance. Federal officials stated positively that the government would not consider more than one route for the highway across the western section of the country.

New Day for Alberta Farmers

The amalgamation of the two major farmers' organizations of Alberta into a single body under the vigorous leadership of Carl Stimpfle is just as vital to the urban population of this province as it is to the farmers themselves.

There is no possible doubt about the benefit to those directly concerned with agriculture.

While the aims of the Alberta Farmers' Union and the United Farmers of Alberta were similar in nature and while a minimum amount of rivalry existed between the two, the very fact that two organizations engaged inevitable rise to a measure of competition that did not strengthen the agricultural voice of this province.

Nor can it be expected that the strength of the new body will equal, with mathematical exactness, the combined strength of the two of which it is composed. Any amalgamation contains a greater multiplicity of views than are contained in its component parts.

But the new Farmers' Union of Alberta does represent the organized strength of 55,000 men and women engaged in a job that gives them a common purpose and a common objective. They will realize that

Town Planning Survey Wanted

Professor Cecil S. Burgess, re-appointed chairman of the Town Planning Commission, calls for a "general review of Edmonton's zoning regulations."

Professor Burgess is eminently right. In the light of Edmonton's rapid growth, the present zoning regulations are archaic.

Moreover, many of them have been contradicted so constantly and repeatedly as to no longer have the force of law confirmed by usage.

But if the city administration pays little attention to the rulings of the Town Planning Commission, what attention will

This throws the entire project into the stultifying and retarding realm of controversy.

For common sense and the welfare of the West will not permit any abandonment of the contentions that favor the Yellowhead route.

A full 60 per cent of Western Canadians live along this route. It taps the most populous areas of the West and passes through immense oil and coal fields.

No less than four national and five provincial parks are on this route.

And, most important, the proposed highway would link at Edmonton with the Alaska Highway and thus provide a vital military supply line.

The high importance of all these considerations should not be left to a government department which, inevitably, has certain political alignments to follow. What is required is a Federal Highway Commission that, having a definite job to do, will get to work and do it without fear or favor and strictly on the inescapable logic of the facts.

Letters to the Editor

purpose and that objective more readily under a single constitution and a single leadership.

This amalgamation is of prime importance to the urban sections of Alberta because the urban sections cannot attain prosperity without the full prosperity of their rural components.

There is a tendency in these days, as there has always been a tendency, to regard town and farm as in competition with each other and at opposite ends of the economic scale.

This is a dangerous fallacy. Towns cannot exist without country as country cannot exist without towns. What helps the one helps the other. What injures one injures both.

The fortunes of the rural and urban populations are so inextricably tied up together that the two must be regarded as a unit.

That is why the people of Edmonton extend such cordial wishes for the success of the new Farmers' Union of Alberta.

In advancing the cause of Alberta agriculture, the newly-formed body advances the economic welfare of every man, woman and child in the province.

It pays to the results of any survey that Commission may make?

As the Edmonton Bulletin has pointed out so many times, and as so many citizens believe, the situation calls for a complete town planning survey by some outside professional group whose prestige and experience will compel the respect and attention of civic officials.

With due respect to the undoubted capacity of the present commission, some drastic measures must be taken to place town planning in a position of authority commensurate with its importance in Edmonton.

ODDS AND ENDS

Charitable Donations

At Very Lowest Level

It is something of a shock to discover, as Ottawa has announced, that the charitable donations of the Canadian people are, presently at an all-time low level.

Averaged across the whole country, and among the various agencies of all types seeking contributions, the current Canadian contribution to charitable work is at around one per cent of the national income.

This includes, of course, not only community chests and local charities of all kinds, but also various appeals that are being made for the relief of distress abroad.

This low percentage is particularly striking when it is remembered that even in the prosperous years, the early 40's for example, the Canadian people were contributing an average of five per cent of their income in charity.

It is a serious situation and there must be a reason for it. As a matter of fact, I think there are five reasons for it. And here they are:

Reaction From War Giving
The war and perhaps the most considerable factor in the reduction in giving is the natural reaction that follows the heavy burden of the war years.

During the war the Canadian people gave generously to every good cause. The war years were a time of unselfishness and of giving.

But the war is over. The people are now concerned with bringing comfort to the armed forces.

By Harold L. Weir

Too Many Appeals

Another important reason for the current decline in giving is the multiplicity of appeals brought before the public.

There are so many demands upon private purse-purses that private individuals are unable to give themselves to all of them.

Perhaps, too, the intense emotional stress of the war has set up a species of emotional exhaustion which tends to make Canadians somewhat less sensitive than they were to the sufferings of others.

Altogether it is not a pretty picture. However, it is not a pretty picture because it is not a pretty picture.

Prejudice, calumny, selfishness, suspicion and ignorance. These are the contributing factors to the decline in charitable giving.

It is not a pleasant thought that Canadians are huddled over their pocket-books and that they are not to their brothers' appeals.

But there is a solution. The solution is to have a single appeal for the relief of distress abroad.

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LIFE'S DARKEST MOMENT

By Webster



THE ST. BERNARD PUP JUMPS TO CONCLUSIONS

shy in opposition to the St. Lawrence way since the discovery of great deposits of iron ore in Labrador became known, show how anxious they are to exploit our wealth.

Canada cannot afford to give its wealth up in the raw state. The cash pitfalls received as a mere trifle compared to its value in industry. Moreover the cash is now spent, with resources exhausted and cash gone which will future generations have to work on.

We were then to do to the CCF was to vote for the Communist Party. And all the time the CCF was to be the Communist Party. And all the time the CCF was to be the Communist Party.

Camrose, Alta.

Transit System
Editor, Bulletin.—Several months ago I was in agreement with your editorial policy, 70 transit system. However, now that Mr. Wilson has arrived and his survey I am somewhat perturbed about any changes he might propose.

I am a lowly night worker, with a wage as low as I have to walk to work from where the weather permits, because I can't afford to buy a car. I have to walk the distance from where I live to the place of my employment in winter I have to walk in the snow.

Now this walking keeps me in good health during the summer months, but in winter it takes me only ten minutes to get to work. I have to walk the distance from where I live to the place of my employment in winter I have to walk in the snow.

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Elmore Philippott

By Webster



Laws Separating Men From Wives Most Shameful

Does your heart burn when you read stories of the twelve Russian wives of British army men trapped in Russia by government policy?

Do you say to yourself: "What a dirty shame to separate man and wife?"

Or are you more philosophical and cynical? Maybe you quote the words of the Holy Bible and say: "Whom God hath joined together let no man put asunder."

The action of the Soviet government in detaining those twelve wives is cruel and almost unbelievably stupid. It played right into the hands of the British and U.S. press, who say: "See, you just can't get along with Russia."

But, being a queer crew who think that we ought to clean up the world, they have no qualms about "bloody murder" about the Russian government's action. "See, you just can't get along with Russia."

Same Action
How about Australia, reader? Did you know that our fellow-members of the British Commonwealth who are living in the Russian desert? That is, used the polemic and the law to get the British and U.S. press, who say: "See, you just can't get along with Russia."

No! Well, neither did I until I read an article entitled "Australia's Immigration Policy," by Frederick Radcliffe, in the Australian Minister to the U.S.A. It appears in the December 1948 number of the U.S. Fair, and reads, in part (Page 37):

"The hospitality extended by Australia to Oriental immigrants of various nationalities was attacked as quite generous... It is worthy of note that a number of men who were under obligation to return to their native countries were allowed to remain in Australia... It is worthy of note that a number of men who were under obligation to return to their native countries were allowed to remain in Australia..."

From within the Communist camp comes the sound of timbers as the Russian government is built on a wooden house of cards with which to trick the dumb masses.

Specifically, Palmiro Togliatti, Italian Communist leader, declared in a recent speech that it is possible for the Communist and the capitalist to live peacefully together. He said that the two systems could co-exist.

Then, a few hours later, there was a speech from Marshal Caidi, editor of the French Communist newspaper, in which he said that the two systems could co-exist.

When you get two prominent Russian spokesmen saying that the two systems could co-exist, it is likely to be coincidence, especially since there have been other similar statements recently. Or, is it a conspiracy?

Looking Backward

1889—50 Years Ago
"Voters' lists, now completed throughout the country, show a total of one million names."

Formerly, the British government had a plan to license all drivers. The British government had a plan to license all drivers.

1899—50 Years Ago
About 50,000 troops will be required to hold Cuba, according to General Wood.

The alleged members of Columbus have arrived at Cadix from Havana. Russia threatens to invade the Baltic.

1909—40 Years Ago
A proposal to build a canal with water from Pigeon Lake by a gravity system will be placed before the U.S. Senate by Mr. Gray.

The executive of the UFA is urging the provincial government to give assistance in establishing a packing plant industry in Alberta.

1929—30 Years Ago
Washington.—The prohibition controversy is now at fever heat in the United States.

London.—Rosa Luxemburg, one of the most active Socialists in Germany, was shot and killed by British soldiers during a meeting in that country.

1939—10 Years Ago
The U.S. Navy has announced that it has received an order from the War Department to build a fleet of 100 battleships.

1949—1 Years Ago
A unique floating headquarters for the U.S. Navy was launched in the U.S. Navy. It is the U.S. Navy's first floating headquarters.

1959—1 Years Ago
A unique floating headquarters for the U.S. Navy was launched in the U.S. Navy. It is the U.S. Navy's first floating headquarters.

1969—1 Years Ago
A unique floating headquarters for the U.S. Navy was launched in the U.S. Navy. It is the U.S. Navy's first floating headquarters.



By Roy Crane



By Willard



By Buford Tune



By King



By Monsang



By Merrill Blosser



Box 4100, Birmingham



By Ernie Bushmiller



By Milton Caniff



By Harold Gray



What Is an X-ray?



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Age Group	Percentage of Respondents
18-29	65
30-49	75
50-69	85
70+	90

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By Harry Hanan



by Williams



